IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

§ §	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
§ 8	MDL No. 2323
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§ §	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
§ 8	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
§	LEAGUE PLAYERS'
§ §	CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION
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§	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
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## **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), <u>Willie Carroll Townes</u> and, if applicable,

  Plaintiff's Spouse) ______, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this Short Form Complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form

Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff is filing this case in a representative capacit
as the of, having been duly appointed as the
By the (Cross out
Sentence below if not applicable.) Copies of the Letters of Administration/Letter
Testamentary for a wrongful death claim are armexed hereto if such Letters are required
for the commencement of such a claim by the Probate, Surrogate or other appropriat
court of the jurisdiction of the decedent.
5. Plaintiff, <u>Willie Carroll Townes</u> is a resident and
citizen of and claims damages as set forth below.
6. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse,, is
resident and citizen ofand claims damages as a result of loss of
consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent.
7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive
traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/o
practices. On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from
symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/o
concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/o

8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, <u>Houston Division</u>. If the case is

practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from

injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.

remanded, it should be remanded to the <u>USDC</u>, <u>Southern District of Texas</u>, <u>Houston</u> <u>Division</u>.

9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:		
	✓ Injury to Herself/Himself;		
	Injury to the Person Represented;		
	Wrongful Death;		
	Survivorship Action;		
	✓ Economic Loss;		
	Loss of Services;		
	Loss of Consortium.		
10.	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband,		
	, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a		
loss of consort	tium, including the following injuries:		
	loss of marital services;		
	loss of companionship, affection or society;		
	loss of support; and		
	monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to		
expend for the	heath care and personal care of her husband.		
11.	[Check if applicable] $\checkmark$ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)		
reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.			

## **DEFENDANTS**

12. Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:

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✓ National Football League;
✓ NFL Properties, LLC;
✓ Riddell, Inc.;
✓ All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.);
✓ Riddell Sports Group, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.;
✓ Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
✓ EB Sports Corporation;
✓ RBG Holdings Corporation.
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- 13. [Check where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above, the claims asserted are: ✓ design defect; ✓ informational defect; __manufacturing defect.
- 14. [Check if applicable] ✓ The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.
- 15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable) ✓ the National Football League("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] ✓ the American Football League ("AFL") during

1966 to 1970	0, 1971, and 1972 for the following teams: <u>Dallas</u>
Cowboys, N	ew Orleans Saints, and New York Giants
	<u>CAUSES OF ACTION</u>
16.	Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master
Administrati	we Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by
Reference in	those Counts [check all that apply]:
	✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL);
	✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring [Against the NFL]);
	Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count V (Fraud [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VII Negligence Pre-1968 Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 [Against the NFL]);
	Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count X (Negligence Post-1994 [Against the NFL]);
	Count XI (Loss of Consortium [Against the NFL and Riddell
	Defendants]);
	✓ Count XII (Negligent Hiring [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIII (Negligent Retention [Against the NFL]);
	✓ Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect [Against the
	Riddell Defendants]);

	Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect [Against the			
	Riddell Defendants]);			
	✓ Count XVI (Failure to Warn [Against the Riddell Defendants]);			
	✓ Count XVII (Negligence [Against the Riddell Defendants]);			
	✓ Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment [Against			
	the NFL Defendants]).			
17.	Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or			
attach]:				
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PRAYER FOR RELIEF				
When	refore Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Snouse if applicable) pray(s) for judgment			

Wherefore, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable), pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;

- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

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